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1\(\)(Amended). A programmable medical device, comprising:

a display device;

an input device for allowing a user to input commands to control the programmable medical device, the input device comprising:

a routine, responsive to a status of the programmable medical device, for generating a display of a plurality of entry keys disposed in a spatial configuration and for selectively displaying on the display device only those entry keys which are required by the status for inputting commands to the programmable medical device during each phase of control or programming; and

a selector for allowing a user to activate the displayed keys to allow the user to input commands to control operation of the programmable medical device.

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N (Amended). A programmable medical device, comprising:

a display device;

an input device for allowing a user to input commands to control the programmable medical device, the apput device comprising:

a plurality of entry keys disposed in a spatial configuration;

a routine, responsive to a status of the programmable medical device, for selectively enabling only those entry keys which are required by the status for inputting commands to the programmable medical device during each phase of control or programming.

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21 (Amended). A controller for controlling a programmable medical device comprising:

a display device;

a routine, responsive to a status of the programmable medical device, for generating a display of a plurality of entry keys disposed in a spatial configuration and for selectively

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B3 Comel displaying on the display device only those entry keys which are required by the status for inputting commands to the programmable medical device during each phase of control or programming; and

a selector for allowing a user to activate the displayed keys to allow the user to input commands to control operation of the programmable medical device.

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30 (Amended). A medical apparatus comprising:

a programmable medical device, the programmable medical device being disposed at a first location and comprising:

an input device for allowing a user to input commands to control the medical device, the input device having a plurality of entry keys disposed in a spatial configuration; and

a remote controller for monitoring and controlling the programmable medical device, the remote controller being positionable at a second location remote from the first location but in communication therewith, the remote controller comprising:

a display device;

a routine, responsive to a status of the programmable medical device, for generating a display of a plurality of virtual entry keys disposed in a spatial configuration and for selectively displaying on the display device only those virtual entry keys which are required by the status for inputting commands to the programmable medical device during each phase of control or programming; and

a selector for allowing a user to activate the displayed virtual entry keys to allow the user to input commands to control operation of the programmable medical device.

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35 (Amended). A method for controlling a programmable medical device, the programmable medical device having a display device, an input device for allowing a user to input commands to control the programmable medical device, the input device having a routine,

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responsive to a status of the programmable medical device, for generating a display of a plurality of entry keys disposed in a spatial configuration and for selectively displaying on the display device only those entry keys which are required by the status for inputting commands to the programmable medical device; and a selector for allowing a user to activate the displayed keys to allow the user to input commands to control operation of the programmable medical device, comprising the steps of:

determining the status of the programmable medical treatment device during each phase of control or programming;

selecting those entry keys which are required by the status for inputting commands to the programmable medical device; and

displaying only those entry keys which are required by the status for inputting commands to the programmable medical device.

36 (Amended). A method for controlling a programmable medical device, the programmable medical device having a display device, an input device for allowing a user to input commands to control the programmable medical device, the input device having a plurality of entry keys disposed in a spatial configuration; and a routine, responsive to a status of the programmable medical device, for selectively enabling only those entry keys which are required by the status for inputting commands to the programmable medical device comprising:

determining the status of the programmable medical device during each phase of control or programming;

selecting those entry keys which are required by the status for inputting commands to the programmable medical device; and

enabling only those entry key which are required by the status for inputting commands to the programmable medical device.

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